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SUBJECT: 1973 TAX AMENDMENT BILL READY TO BE SIGNED INTO

LAW-- MINERAL OIL TAX INCREASE ONCE AGAIN REJECTED BY BUNDESRAT

REF: BONN 8165

1. AS GENERALLY EXPECTED, BOTH HOUSES HAVE APPROVED THE COMPROMISE PROPOSAL OF THE BUNDESRAT/ BUNDESTAG MEDIATION COMMITTEE REGARDING THE 1973 TAX AMENDMENT BILL. THIS BILL, WHICH IS NOW READY TO BE SIGNED INTO LAW, CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING: (A) AN INCOME TAX SURCHARGE FOR ONE YEAR, AMOUNTING TO 10 PERCENT OF INCOME TAXES DUE IN THE CASE OF CORPORATE INCOME AND UP TO 10 PERCENT OF PERSONAL INCOME TAXES DUE FOR INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYERS WITH A TAXABLE INCOME EXCEEDING DM 24,000 ( SINGLE) OR DM 48,000 ( COUPLES), RESPECTIVELY; B) AN INVESTMENT TAX OF 11 PERCENT ( IN MOST CASES) FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWO YEARS; AND C) DISCONTINUATION OR CURTAILMENT OF ACCELERATED DEPRECIATION ALLOWANCES AND OTHER TAX PRIVILEGES AND SUBSIDIES. DETAILS FOLLOW BY AIRGRAM.

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2. THE BILL TO INCREASE THE MINERAL OIL TAX BY 5 PFENNIGS  
PER LITER ONCE AGAIN FAILED TO PASS IN THE AOPPOSITION-  
CONTROLLED BUNDESRAT. MOREOVER, THE BUNDESRAT REAFFIRMED,  
BY MAJORITY VOTE, THE VIEW THAT THIS LEGISLATION IS OF THE  
KIND REQUIRING ITS APPROVAL. NEVERTHELESS, CHANCES ARE THAT  
THE SPD/ FDP MAJORITY IN THE BUNDESTAG WILL PROCEED AS  
OUTLINED IN REFTEL AND THAT THE BILL WILL BE SIGNED INTO LAW.  
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